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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Applicant requests that the application be amended as follows:

**In the Specification:**

*Please insert the following section title at page 1, line 6.*

**CROSS-REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS**

*Please insert the following section at page 1, line 10.*

**STATEMENT OF GOVERNMENT RIGHTS**

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This invention was made with the U.S. Government support under Grant Number DAMD17-96-1-6006, awarded by the Army Medical Research and Materiel Command. The U.S. Government has certain rights in the invention.

**In the Claims:**

*Cancel claims 1-13 without prejudice.*

*Please amend the claims to read as follows:*

*14. (Once Amended) A method of repairing a lesion on a solid visceral organ, comprising:*

*applying an energy-absorbing proteinaceous material to a lesion site on the solid visceral organ lesion;*

*irradiating the proteinaceous material with energy sufficient to fuse the energy-absorbing material at least partially to the lesion site;*

*applying a biocompatible denatured albumin lamina onto the proteinaceous material on the lesion site; and*